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A

HUE & CRY

AFTER

P. and H.

AND

PLAIN TRUTH.

THeſe are to give notice to *P.* and *H.* That if they will forthwith come forth with an humble Submiſſion, and refund all the Money they have unjuſtly taken for Permiſſions and Protections, to the Merchants, or Owners of all ſuch Ships, as were fitted out for the laſt *Imbargo*.

And alſo, give ſatisfaction for the extraordinary Gain made to your ſelves, *P.* and *H.* in buying of Timber, for Building the *New Ships* of War.

P. and *H.* You muſt alſo refund thoſe before-hand Guinies, or Broad-peeces, and alſo the Jars of *Oyl*, and Boxes of *Chockolet*, and Cheſts of *Greek Wines*, and Cheſts of *Saracuſa Wines*, and Pots of *Anchovis*, and Quarter-Casks of *Old Mallago*, and Butts of *Sherry*, and *Weſtphalihams*, and *Bolonia Sauceges*, and Barrels of Pickel'd *Oyſters*, and Jars of *Olives*, and Jars of *Tent*, and *Parmeſant* Cheeſes, and Cheſts of *Florence* Wine, and Boxes of *Orange* Flower Water: And all thoſe dryed *Cods* and *Lings*, and Hog-

ſheds of *Claret*, *White-Wines*, and *Champaynes*, and Dozens of *Syder*: And alſo, all thoſe *Mocos*, Parrots, and Parakeets; *Vriginia* Nightingales, and Turtle-Doves, and thoſe Fat Turkeys and Pigs; and all thoſe *Turkiſh* Sheep, *Barberry* Horſes, and Lyons, and Tygers, and Bears; and all thoſe Fine *Spaniſh* Matts.

All which, were received from Sea-Captains, *Conſuls*, Lieutenants, Maſters, Boatſwains, Gunners, Carpenters, and Purſers; or from their Wives, or Sons, or Daughters: Or from ſome of the Officers in the *Dock-Yards*; as Maſter Ship-Wrights, Maſter of Attendance, or Clark of the Cheques, and Store-keepers, *&c.* And more eſpecially, thoſe great Lumps taken of Sir *D. G.* Victualler.

P. and *H.* You muſt alſo refund all thoſe Guinies taken from all Widdows and Fatherleſs, and whatſoever elſe you *P.* and *H.* know in your own Conſciences, you have taken from them, or cauſed to be taken from them.

Return alſo, thoſe Treble Fees taken by you two, *P.* and *H.* for *Turkiſh* Paſſes, or *Daniſh* Paſſes, or *Swedes* Paſſes; or any other Paſſes granted out of your Office.

And alſo, return to thoſe Commanders, all extraordinary Fees, taken at the receiving of their Commiſſions, by *P.* and *H.*

Alſo, refund to all Warrant-Officers, all the Over-plus, taken at the giving them their Warrants, by you two, *P.* and *H.*

And alſo, all ſums of Money, taken by you two, *P.* and *H.* for quick Diſpatches of any Buſineſs whatſoever, you muſt refund.

And alſo, humbly acknowledge all thoſe *Turkiſh* Paſſes given to Forreigners, out of your Office; and recall all thoſe Falſe Certificates, given by either of you, *P.* and *H.* or cauſed to be given or made under good Commanders Hands, by the Force of either of your Powers, to thoſe that had never been at Sea, nor did deſerve any: But only the Cordial Affection you had to ſome of their *Preſervative* Guinies.

Alſo, *P.* and *H.* That you take a more Vigilant Care the next time you are called into any Buſineſs, depending upon State-Affairs; and to be ſo Prudent to your ſelves, as to deal Honeſtly, Juſtly, and Uprightly: And never more truſt to, or make uſe of any Dark Lanthornes; but take the moſt Tranſparent Criſtal Lights, you can Purchaſe with all the Honeſty you both have, or ever had. And then you may fore-ſee Things with that Brightneſs, that you need never come within the Reach of the Printing-Preſs: For, at this Time, it ſqueezes you both very hard, with Matter of Truth.

And now more eſpecially, that you two, *P.* and *H.* return all thoſe Groats, Three-pences, Two-pences, and Farthings, taken from all thoſe poor Cripples; all, to make up one Shilling a peece, from each poor Man; which a great many of them, had been forc'd to ſtand a whole Day in Snow and Rain, in the Corners of the Streets, and beg for it of all well-diſpoſed and Charitable People. Alſo, for theſe poor Men's ſatisfaction and wrong done to them, give to each poor Soul Two Shillings a peece, over and above the Three Hundred Pounds a Year, you two, *P.* and *H.* ſqueazed ſo cruelly from them: With your Prayers to *God* Almighty, to forgive you, *P.* and *H.* for ſo great a Robbery committed by you both, upon the poor Cripples, and Maimed Penſioners.

P. There is one thing more, you muſt be mightily ſorry for with all ſpeed: Your Preſumption in your Coach, in which you dayly Ride, as if you had been Son and Heir to the great Emperor, *Neptune*; or, as if you had been

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Infallibly to have ſucceeded him in his Government of the Ocean. All which was Preſumption in the higheſt Degree.

Firſt, You had upon the Fore-part of your Chariot, Tempeſtuous Waves, and Wracks of Ships: On your Left-hand, Forts and great Guns, and Ships a fighting: On your Right-hand, was a fair Harbor and Town, with Ships and Galleys riding with their Flags and Penants ſped, kindly ſaluting each other; juſt like *P.* and *H.* Behind it were high Curl'd VVaves and Ships a ſincking; and here and there, an Appearance of ſome Bits of Land.

And now really Conſider with your ſelf that you are but the Son of a Taylor, and wipe out all this preſumptious Painting; And new Paint it with thoſe things agreeable to your quality: In the firſt place, paint upon the fore-part, as handſome a Taylors ſhop-board as you pleaſe, with the Old Gentleman your Father upon it at work, and his Journey-men ſitting about him: each Man with his Pint of Ale, and half penny Loaf before him: and the good Old Matron your Mother, and your ſelf, and the reſt of your Brothers and Siſters, ſtanding by: this will be agreeable to your Qualities. Then behind your Coach, Paint all the evil deeds of *P.* and *H.* in particulars: Alſo on your Right Hand, Paint your Jeſuite *M.* Playing upon his Lute, and Singing a Holy Song: On your Left Hand Paint two or three poor Cripples, which *P.* Reformed, and giving them his Charity, which he never was wont to do. All this will ſhew *P's.* great Humility and Reformation, and Reducement to his Right Station; you muſt alſo, *P.* Correct your Barge and take out all thoſe Dammask Curtains, and Cuſhions, and put in good Shaloon ones, and ſome of your Shop-Board Cuſhions: And wipe out thoſe little Seas that are Painted; and Paint it a *New*, with an honeſt Green; and here and there a pair of great Shears with open Mouths: the Ignorant ſort of People may take them for ſome Strange and Monſtrous Fiſhes: all this will do very well.

Alſo *P.* and *H.* without Pride, but with a great deal of Honeſty, do you give a True Liſt of all thoſe *Roman Catholicks* that you have been pleaſed to favour ſo far as to promote them to be Captains, or Lieutenants, or Mid-Ship-men extraordinary; or Volunteers on Board any of the Ships of War.

And that you *P.* never forget the L. C. for his kindneſs in giving you ſo quick an account of all that had been ſaid of you in the late *H.* of *C.* that L. being one of them.

P. and *H.* The performance of all thoſe things mentioned, and herein required of you, both forthwith to perform by a Juſt Obedience in you *P.* and *H.* to all and every Reſpective Perſon; from whom you have Received any of thoſe things mentioned in this *New* and *Cry:* for the Reſtoration of which, I will be ſo kind to you both, *P.* and *H.* that I will ſhew you a Preſident for it, the better to Incourage you both, to give Satisfaction for all thoſe Wrongs Committed by you Two.

The Preſident is this, *P.* and *H.* your truly and well beloved Friend *I. W.* who took the other day of a Woman ſix Broad Peices of Gold, (as you *P.* and *H.* formerly uſed to do) to be mindful of his buſineſs in her abſence, during which time he was negligent of her Affairs, not performing the leaſt of what he promis'd her. The Woman demanded her Gould again, and in her ſo doing, made a little noiſe more than ordinary; ſo for fear his Maſters ſhould hear him, he humbly ſubmitted to her demands, and Refunded to the Woman her Broad Peices: If all the People that you

two, *P.* and *H.* have ſerved thus, had taken this Womans Courſe, they might have had full Pockets and Purſes, when they were forc't to go with both empty, and ſorrowful Hearts: Now if you Two, *P.* and *H.* will be Stubborn, and not take this for a Preſident: I cannot help it: But however, I am, *P.* and *H.* their moſt humble Servant.

For the better Inabling this **Hue** and **Cry**;

This is therefore to give Notice to all Perſons whatſoever.

THat if they can Apprehend *P.* and *H.* or either of them; or give Notice of them to a Lady in *Lincolns-Inn-Fields*, or to a Lady at her Country Houſe in *Chelſey*; or to another at her Houſe near the Exchequer; or to Two Merchants Daughters in *London*; they being both well known to theſe Two Perſons; eſpecially *P.* or to any of the Officers of *Bride-Well*, in *White-Friers*; or to *M*'s. Coffee Houſe in *Weſtminſter*; or to *C*'s. Coffee Houſe by the *Royal Exchange:* Before, or at, the next Seſſion of Parliament, they ſhall have a great Reward.

FINIS.

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Plain Truth:

OR, A

PRIVATE DISCOURSE

BETWIXT

P. & H.

P. HThou know'ſt, there is a general Diſcourſe of a War with *France*; though we know, there cannot be any ſuch thing; However, there ſeems a great probability of it, to all the Nation; for that they know not ſo much as we do.

H. True, Sir.

P. But *H.* VVhich way ſhall we go to work upon this, to get an Order of Council, for an Imbargoe upon all Ships?

H. O God, Sir, eaſily.

P. But how?

H. Sir, You know, that in any thing that you will propoſe to the Commiſſioners of the Navy for their Aſſiſtance, they will be ready to ſerve you; and you joyning together, may give Reaſons to the Council, of the Neceſſity there's for it.

P. The Commiſſioners of the Navy ſhall Dine with me to Morrow: and then we'll agree together, how we ſhall do it; and of our Reaſons, for the Neceſſity of it.

H. That's very well, Sir.

P. H. we have been before ——— and have got their Order for an Imbargoe.

H. And Gad, Sir, I am very glad of it; for if it holds but two Months, we ſhall get ſix or ſeven Thouſand Pounds by it.

P. But how, *H.*

H. I'le tell you, Sir; There is not one Ship or Coaſter whatſoever, to ſtir out, but what muſt come hither for a Permiſſion and Protection; and muſt pay what Rates we pleaſe, from a Fiſher-man, to the biggeſt Ship of all: And if there ſhould be fitted out an Hundred Sail more during this Imbargo, than uſually is in any two Months, we can give them all Permiſſions and Protections: But they muſt pay for them.

P. How ſhall we Rate them? According to their Burthen, or to the Number of their Men?

H. No, Sir; not according to their Burthen; for we may eaſily be Cheated that way: but to the Number of their Men.

P. Very well, *H.* let's Rate them.

H. Yes, Sir: (*The Rates*) If three Men and a Boy, then their Permiſſion and Protection, Twenty five Shillings.

If from three Men to ſeven, and a Boy, Thirty-five ſhillings.

If from ſeven Men to nine, and upwards, Fifty-five ſhillings.

P. That's very well, *H.* but can we ſhew any Preſident for this?

H. There needs none, Sir.

P. Why ſo, *H.*

H. Becauſe, Sir, that has alwayes formerly been left to the Diſcretion of the Secretary of the Admiralty, to do as he pleaſed.

P. If it be ſo, 'tis well enough.

H. Yes, yes, Sir —— But, Sir, I'le tell you another thing; If a Ship of any great Burthen be fitted out, and a fair Wind preſents; the Owners will give you twice the Rates we have ſet, for a quick Diſpatch of their Permiſſion and Protection: And ſo will they do according to their Rate, rather than loſe their VVind. And ſo, at what we have Rated them at, there can be no Fault found.

P. No, truly *H.* I think, there cannot be any Fault found with our Rates.

H. If there do not come ſomething, we can make twenty delayes.

P. How ſo, *H.*

H. I le tell you, Sir; You know, the Lords of the Admiralty muſt ſign thoſe Permiſſions and Protections; and they do not ſit above twice a week: ſo we cannot get them ſigned. Though if they we deal for, be civil to us, we can ſend them every hour, to be ſigned by the Lords, at their own Houſes.

P. Truly, *H.* this is very well thought of; and we ſhall hereby raiſe more Monies by this means, upon the Imbargoe, than we at firſt propoſed.

Well, as to this, we have done enough: And now, let us contrive a little, as to our own Naval Imployes, how to do our own Buſineſs: For Imployments, depending upon State-Affairs, are ſoon ſnatch't away.

H. Yes truly, Sir; and we ought to think of getting as much as we can, in our Imploys, as well as others in the like have done. Sir, You ſee, what my Lord *A.* has got, and what Sir *W. C.* has got, and what my *Lord Treaſurer*, and others, have got in a little time.

P. Thou ſay'ſt right, *H.* And what will the World ſay, if we do not? That we are all Fools; but we will give them no cauſe for't. But now, as to the buſineſs, how to make the beſt advantage to our ſelves, of all Sea-imploys, and that the VVorld may not take any Notice of me.

H. I'le tell you; Leave it to me, to take Mony for any Imploy; and you ſhall not need to take any notice of it, that it comes within your Knowledge.

P. But what if I ſhould be charged with the doing of it?

H. Sir, that cannot be; becauſe you do not do it, but I do it for you: Therefore, you may eaſily clear your ſelf from all ſuch Scandals; and for my ſelf, I'le handle them ſo, that it ſhall never be found out, I'le warrant you.

P. VVell, *H.* I'le truſt to thy Management of it.

H. Sir, You know, I have never failed hitherto, in my Management of your Affairs; pray do not fear me in this: But you muſt be alwayes ready, to get all Commiſſions and VVarrants ſigned, that I bring to you; for you may be ſure, I will bring you none, but what I have Mony for. And you muſt alſo be ſure to accept any Perſon that I recommend, though he has never been at Sea, nor has any Certificates to ſhew, according to the courſe of the Navy: For we can at any time, procure him Certificates under good Commanders hands, that will not deny us that; knowing it lyes in our power, to hinder them from having Commiſſions, if need be. But let that perſon be who he will, that I recommend, I will have Mony before-hand; and likewiſe, at his receiving his VVarrant or Commiſſion.

P. I like this all very well (*H.*) ſo that, I perceive, it is impoſſible, that ever I ſhould be brought in queſtion.

H. Sir, Never fear it; I'le keep you, and my ſelf, clear enough, let the VVorld pry never ſo cloſe into our buſineſs.

P. I thank thee, (good *H.*) It was ſtrangely our good Fortune, that we ever met together: (*Then they Hugg and Kiſs one another!*)

H. Sir, There's another thing, we muſt think of, (*i. e.*) VVhen-ever a Boat-ſwain, Gunner, Carpenter, Purſer, or Cook, dyes; that ſo ſoon as any of the Clarks know of it, they give me an account of it; and I will make your beſt Advantage of it.

P. I'le command them to do it.

H. That will do it, Sir.

P. However, do you look out ſharply.

H. Sir, There is a Boat-ſwain of the Firſt-rate Ship is dead.

P. Is there ſo? Of what Ship?

H. The *Royal* —— Now, *Sir*, as to this Vacancy; if you pleaſe, to give me leave, we will put a Boat ſwain of a Second-rate into her; into that, a Boat-ſwain of a Third; and into that Third, a Boat-ſwain of the Fourth-rate; into the Fourth-rate, a Boat-ſwain of the Fifth-rate: So that, all theſe ſhall be advanced; and the Fifth-rate ſhall be a clear Vacancy. So that, none of them, but will be willing for Preferment, to give me five or ten Guinnies; and as much to put a New Boat-ſwain into the Fifth-rate: And this amounts to Mony, and makes no noiſe at all.

P. I thank thee, (good *H.*) I proteſt, ſo it does; and thus we may run through all the Boat-ſwains and Gunners, Carpenters and Cooks imployes; which will be conſiderable in the Year: And much more, if there comes a Rot amongſt them —— But for the Purſers, I hope, you intend to manage them at a better Rate, than this. ——

H. O God, Sir! Yes, yes.

P. Very well, I leave you to your own Diſcretion, as to that.

H. Sir, There's a Purſer's imploy void of a Firſt rate Ship; and if you pleaſe, in a day or two, I'le tell you the beſt way of diſpoſing of it, knowing you have ſo much buſineſs, that you cannot ſtudy it.

P.

P. I pray do, *H.*

H. Sir, I have done it. There is a Purſer of a Fourth-rate, that does not love the Sea, will give me 300 Guinnys, for the Vacancy of this firſt-rate, being he has a mind to ſtay at home; And then for the fourth Rate, I have got one *C.* that will give me threeſcore Guinnys for that imploy; and I will take it, though it be too little.

P. I will go, and have both the Warrants ſigned this night: But have you the Money?

H. No, Sir, but it will be brought to my houſe, to Morrow Morning.

P. Very well, good *H.* the Warrants ſhall be ready this night.

H. Sir, There is one thing more: You do not imagine, what the Twelve pences amount to in a year, that we ſqueez out of the Cripples, for their Orders for renewing their Penſions

P. No; Prethee, what may they come to?

H. Sir, There is about 6000 of them; which at 12 pence an Order, for each man, amounts to above 300 pounds a year.

P. Poor men! who would think, there were ſo much to be gotten out of them? but it is very well. Dear *H.* nothing ſhall ever part us, but death.

H. No truly, Sir, let what will happen—

But Now, Sir, pray lets adviſe a little, as to the buying of Timber, for the building thoſe New Ships the Parliament have given the King Money for; For I have about Thirty Thouſand pounds lying by me; Sir *A. D.* being Purveyour for the buying of it, at ſuch rates as he thinks fit: we may lay out this ready money with his Aſſiſtance in it, that we may double it.

P. Truly, this is very well thought of; and I will Order the matter with Sir *A.D.*

H. Sir, It will be a very beneficial deſign; and will take in every particular of our ſide.

P. I have ſpoken with *A. D.* and you muſt go along with him, to make choice of the Timber; And he will Rate our Money out ſo, that we ſhall get Sixteen or Twenty pounds, in the Hundred.

H. Was not this well thought of by me, Sir?

P. Yes Truly, *H.* I find, thou doſt imploy thy brains.

H. Truly, Sir, I do not love to be idle, if there be any probability, of getting Money.

P. Truly, *H.* we ſhall be very happy —— But there is one thing more. that thou had'ſt forgot (*H.*) thoſe imploys in the *Dock-Yards*, that we may diſpoſe of them to the beſt advantage, as Maſter of Attendance, Clerk of the Checque, Store keepers, and Porter to the *Dock*.

H. Truly Sir, I had forgot it; but you ſhall ſee, I will manage them as well as the beſt, as ſoon as I find any Vacancy.

P. Prethee do, *H.* for if thou had'ſt not forgot, it would never have come into my head —— Farewell to thee, *H.* I muſt go to Court.

H. Sir, There is a Maſter of Attendance dead, at *C.* and there is an old man there, that Claimes a juſt right to it; but he is very poor: And there is a Boat-ſwaine of ſuch a Ship, that will give me 150 pounds for it, and it makes a Vacancy in his Ship too, which will be another Advantage to us.

P. It is very well, *H.* the Boat-ſwain ſhall have it. And for the poor Fellow, we will promiſe him ſomething elſe, ſo ſoon as it falls out; That will keep him quiet.

H. I have a friend, that will give me Forty pounds for the Boat-ſwaines imploy.

P. He ſhall have it, *H.*

H. Since I was with you laſt, there is Clark of the Checkques dead at ( ) and if you pleaſe, we will go another way to work with this to our better Advantage.

P. How is that, *H.*

H. There's the Store keeper at (*P.*) will give me 200 Guinnies for it; and there is a decay'd Merchant, that will give me for the Store-keepers place at (*P.*) 150 pounds.

P. 'Tis very well; but how if this ſhould come to be known?

H. Never fear it (*Sir*) I receive the moneys from them upon another account, betwixt them and me, ſo that, if they would themſelves diſcover it, they cannot prove it.

P. Truly (*H.*) it is very diſcreetly done, and it is impoſſible, that ever it ſhould be diſcover'd ſo. They ſhall have their imploys (Honeſt *H.*)

H. Sir, I will take my leave of you, till to Morrow Morning.

P. No, prethee *H.* ſtay, and let's drink a Glaſſe of Sherry.

H. Thank you, Sir.

P. Give me thy hand (Honeſt *H.*) here's to all our Friends.

H. Sir, Your moſt Humble Servant; Well, *Sir*, Adieu to you.

P. Good night, (Good *H.*)

H. Sir, ſince I ſaw you laſt, the Porter of the Dock at (*H*) is dead.

P. I am very ſorry for it; poor fellow, he has been in it but a little time, and gave Forty pounds for it: What is the place worth a year, with all its perquiſits?

H. Sir, it is not worth above Thirty pounds a year; but they have liberty to ſell Ale and *Brandy*, to all the work Men in the whole Yard; and ſo they make the Lord knows what of it; There is a man has proffer'd me Fifty Guinnys, to put him into it.

P. Let him have it.

H. O God, No *Sir*; I told him, if he would give the other Ten Guinnys, he ſhould have it; and he told me, he would bring them in a day or two, to my Houſe.

P. Very well, ſet him have it.

H. The Purſer of the ( ) is dead, and his Widdow has got leave to diſpoſe of the imploy; and I have Command, to make over the imploy, to whom ſhe ſhall name: What ſhall we do, in this caſe; for ſhe ſells it?

H. Sir, I'le Diſcourſe the Widdow, and likewiſe him that buys it; and I do not queſtion, but to get ſomething of them both, notwithſtanding the Command.

P. Do (*H.*) and ſo ſoon as the Warrant is made, I will ſend it to your Houſe; and let her take it from thence.

H. That will do it, Sir:

P. Well then, it ſhall be done (*H.*)

H. Sir, I have diſcourſed the buſineſs with them; but ſeverally; ſo that, I have order'd the Buſineſs to this Purpoſe; That the Widdow is to give me twenty Guinnies in hand, for to get a quick diſpatch; and he that buys it of her, gives me as much.

P. Well, *H.* I thought, thou couldſt never have done any thing, by reaſon of the Command, that it ſhould be done for the Widdow, and ſhe knowing it.

H. Sir I find it very Eaſy, notwithſtanding the Command.

P. Truly, it is very well (*H.*)

H. Sir, We have had no time to diſcourſe privately, a great while, till now: Sir, What do you thing I get, in four Months, beſides your Fees for Warrants?

P. Thou couldſt get nothing, but there would be a Noiſe about it.

H. Yes, Sir; I proteſt, I got in four Months, 600 *l.* and did you ever hear any Noiſe of it?

P. No, I proteſt.

H. Lord, Sir, the men are over-joyed, at the getting their Warrants, that they go away preſently to their imployes; and ſo it is impoſſible, it ſhould ever be Noiſed, and perhaps, ſeveral dead, that will never ſee the Office again: But if it were not ſo, they know we have the Power over them, that they ſhall never have any riſe in the Navy.

P. 'Tis very true (*H.*) and moſt ſafely done.

H. Yes, yes, Sir; never fear any thing, that I do in our own affairs; for I will make them ſecure enough.

P. Truly, ſo thou doſt.

H. Sir, There's another thing, we have not diſcours'd yet.

P. What's that?

H. I'le tell you, Sir: you know, we give out Paſſes for Ships; out of which, I genteely pick twenty pounds a Week, over and above your concern; And did you ever hear the leaſt of it, till now?

P. No I proteſt.

H. Well, Sir, all this together, makes a good addition in the Year to our ſtock.

P. O my dear Partner, ſo it does; and when we loſe our Imploy's, if we pleaſe, we can ſhew as great a Bank, as the beſt of them all.

H. Truly, Sir, I believe it, and ſomething better; but that's to our ſelves.

Thus has the Wheel of a part of their juſt Dealings, over-run time; at laſt, their Axel-tree crackt: And now, at this time, if all the *Engineers* in *France*, can Splice it, they will not ſpare to imploy them, whatever it coſts them; if they will but warrant it, that it ſhall be able to bear their Juſt Dealings again.

FINIS.